

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 00-2375

United States of America,

Appellee,

v.

Lisa Hall,

Appellant.

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Appeal from the United
States District Court for
the Western District of
Missouri

[Not To Be Published]

Submitted: January 9, 2001

Filed: February 23, 2001

Before BEAM and MORRIS SHEPPARD ARNOLD, Circuit Judges, and ALSOP,¹
District Judge.

PER CURIAM.

Lisa Hall appeals from an order of the district court² revoking her supervised
release. Hall contends that the district court at the revocation hearing improperly

¹ The Honorable Donald D. Alsop, United States District Judge for the District
of Minnesota, sitting by designation.

² The Honorable Gary A. Fenner, United States District Judge for the Western
District of Missouri.

denied her requests for substitute counsel and for a continuance. Hall also on appeal challenges for the first time certain evidentiary rulings the district court made. We review a denial of a request for substitute counsel and for a continuance for abuse of discretion. United States v. Swinney, 970 F.2d 494, 498 (8th Cir. 1992). Because Hall raised no evidentiary objections before the district court, we review the disposition only for plain error. United States v. Campa-Fabela, 210 F.3d 837, 840 (8th Cir. 2000).

Although the district court did not conduct an extensive inquiry into the basis for Hall's request for substitute counsel, we find no abuse of discretion. Our precedents require such an inquiry only when a defendant raises a "seemingly substantial complaint" about existing counsel. United States v. Blum, 65 F.3d 1436, 1440 (8th Cir. 1995)(*quoting* Smith v. Lockhart, 923 F.2d 1314, 1320 (8th Cir. 1977)). Hall made no complaint of any kind concerning the counsel appointed to represent her. We also find no abuse of discretion in the denial of Hall's request for a continuance. After having carefully reviewed the record we see no plain error in the result. Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

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